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Applicant: Ruchika Singhal; Carl D. Wahlstrand; Darren A. Janzig; Robert M. Skime Confirmation No. 4796  
Serial No.: 10/730,878  
Filed: December 9, 2003 Customer No.: 28863  
Examiner: Michael William Kahelin  
Group Art Unit: 3762  
Docket No.: 1023-334US01  
Title: LEAD CONNECTION MODULE OF A MODULAR IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE

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By: 

Name: Patricia Cygan

**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.181(a)**  
**TO WITHDRAW THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

On August 18, 2008, Examiner Kahelin notified Applicant that the above-referenced application was abandoned based on the alleged failure of Applicant to reply to the Office Action dated January 17, 2008. As of August 20, 2008, Applicant has not received a Notice of Abandonment. Applicant filed an Amendment in response to the Office Action on April 11, 2008, which was within the three-month period for reply to the Office Action dated January 17, 2008. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn.

The following evidence that Applicant filed the Amendment in response to the Office Action on April 11, 2008 is attached to this Petition:

- 1) A copy of the Amendment. The Amendment was filed by facsimile with a Transmittal Letter. The Transmittal Letter includes a CERTIFICATE UNDER 37

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C.F.R. 1.8, certifying that the Amendment was transmitted via facsimile to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) by Patricia Cygan on April 11, 2008.

The CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8 was signed by Patricia Cygan.

- 2) A Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 1.8(b)(3) of Patricia Cygan attesting that the Amendment was transmitted via facsimile on April 11, 2008.
- 3) A copy of a report from the sending facsimile machine confirming transmission of the Amendment.
- 4) A copy of the auto-reply from the USPTO indicating receipt of the Amendment by the USPTO on April 11, 2008.

Applicant believes that the filing of this petition does not require a fee (M.P.E.P.

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8(b)(3) OF PATRICIA CYGAN**

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Dear Sir:

A copy of an Amendment in response to an Office Action dated January 17, 2008 is attached to a Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.181(a) to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment, both of which are submitted with this statement. On April 11, 2008, I transmitted the Amendment in response to the Office Action dated January 17, 2008 to the United States Patent and Trademark Office via facsimile.

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